

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A depilation device comprising:
a housing, and
a storage space inside the housing, said storage space being provided for accommodating a store of depilation tape, said depilation tape being provided with a hair removal medium that can be softened by heating and said depilation tape can be taken from the store and can be applied to the skin of a person, and
a heating device to which the depilation tape taken from the store can be supplied in the longitudinal tape direction, by means of said heating device the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device can be heated for the purpose of softening the hair removal medium before the depilation tape is applied with its hair removal medium to the skin of a person, and

| pressure means which are arcuately shaped along a substantial portion of said pressure means and are arranged opposite the

heating device, by means of said pressure means the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied to the heating device along a contact zone parallel to the longitudinal tape direction.

2. (Previously presented) A depilation device comprising,
 - a housing, and
 - a storage space inside the housing, said storage space being provided for accommodating a store of depilation tape, said depilation tape being provided with a hair removal medium that can be softened by heating and said depilation tape can be taken from the store and can be applied to the skin of a person, and
 - a heating device to which the depilation tape taken from the store can be supplied in the longitudinal tape direction, by means of said heating device the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device can be heated for the purpose of softening the hair removal medium before the depilation tape is applied with its hair removal medium to the skin of a person, and
 - pressure means which are arranged opposite the heating device, by means of said pressure means the respective tape portion of the

depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied to the heating device along a contact zone parallel to the longitudinal tape direction

wherein the heating device comprises a plate-shaped heating wall which is designed for direct co-operation with the depilation tape, and wherein the pressure means comprise at least two rows of brackets extending transversely to the longitudinal tape direction of the depilation tape with strip-shaped or wire-shaped contact brackets arranged next to one another, which contact brackets are arranged opposite the heating wall and by means of which brackets the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied against the heating wall.

3. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 2, wherein three to six rows of brackets extending transversely to the longitudinal tape direction with strip-shaped or wire-shaped contact brackets extending next to one another are provided.

4. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the contact brackets are formed from a resilient

material.

5. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 4, wherein the contact brackets are formed from a spring wire material.

6. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the pressure means comprise a plate-shaped support wall, the contact brackets being connected to said support wall.

7. (Currently amended) The A depilation device as claimed in claim 1 comprising:

a housing, and

a storage space inside the housing, said storage space being arranged for accommodating a store of depilation tape, said depilation tape being provided with a hair removal medium that can be softened by heating and said depilation tape can be taken from the store and can be applied to the skin of a person, and

a heating device to which the depilation tape taken from the store can be supplied in the longitudinal tape direction, by means of said heating device the respective tape portion of the

depilation tape co-operating with the heating device can be heated for the purpose of softening the hair removal medium before the depilation tape is applied with its hair removal medium to the skin of a person, and

pressure means which are arcuately shaped and arranged opposite the heating device, by means of said pressure means the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied to the heating device along a contact zone parallel to the longitudinal tape direction, wherein the heating device comprises a plate-shaped heating wall which is designed for direct co-operation with the depilation tape, and wherein the pressure means comprise at least two rows of brackets extending transversely to the longitudinal tape direction of the depilation tape with strip-shaped or wire-shaped contact brackets arranged next to one another, which contact brackets are arranged opposite the heating wall and by means of which brackets the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied against the heating wall.

8. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 7, wherein three to six rows of brackets extending

transversely to the longitudinal tape direction with strip-shaped or wire-shaped contact brackets extending next to one another are provided.

9. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 7, wherein the contact brackets are formed from a resilient material.

10. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 9, wherein the contact brackets are formed from a spring wire material.

11. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 7, wherein the pressure means comprise a plate-shaped support wall, the contact brackets being connected to said support wall.

12. (Currently amended) A depilation device comprising:
a housing, and
a storage space inside the housing, said storage space being provided for accommodating a store of depilation tape, the depilation tape being provided with a hair removal medium that can

be softened by heating and said depilation tape can be taken from the store and can be applied to the skin of a person, and

a heating device to which the depilation tape taken from the store can be supplied in the longitudinal tape direction, the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device can be heated for the purpose of softening the hair removal medium before the depilation tape is applied with its hair removal medium to the skin of a person, and

an arcuately shaped bracket arranged opposite the heating device, by means of the arcuately shaped bracket the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied to the heating device along a contact zone parallel to the longitudinal tape direction, wherein the arcuately shaped bracket is arcuately shaped along a substantial portion of the arcuately shaped bracket.

13. (Currently amended) The A depilation device as claimed in claim 12 comprising:

a housing, and

a storage space inside the housing, said storage space being arranged for accommodating a store of depilation tape, the

depilation tape being provided with a hair removal medium that can be softened by heating and said depilation tape can be taken from the store and can be applied to the skin of a person, and

a heating device to which the depilation tape taken from the store can be supplied in the longitudinal tape direction, the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device can be heated for the purpose of softening the hair removal medium before the depilation tape is applied with its hair removal medium to the skin of a person, and

an arcuately shaped bracket arranged opposite the heating device, by means of the arcuately shaped bracket the respective tape portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied to the heating device along a contact zone parallel to the longitudinal tape direction, wherein the heating device comprises a plate-shaped heating wall which is designed for direct co-operation with the depilation tape, and wherein the arcuately shaped bracket comprise at least two rows of brackets extending transversely to the longitudinal tape direction of the depilation tape with strip-shaped or wire-shaped contact brackets arranged next to one another, which contact brackets are arranged opposite the heating wall and by which brackets the respective tape

portion of the depilation tape co-operating with the heating device is kept applied against the heating wall.

14. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 12, wherein the arcuately shaped bracket comprise three to six rows of arcuately shaped brackets extending transversely to the longitudinal tape direction with strip-shaped or wire-shaped contact brackets extending next to one another.

15. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 14, wherein the contact brackets are formed from a resilient material.

16. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the contact brackets are formed from a spring wire material.

17. (Previously presented) The depilation device as claimed in claim 13, comprising a plate-shaped support wall, the arcuately shaped bracket being connected to said wall.